

Response to Questions to RFQ NNK14523969Q

Railroad Inspection Support Services

1. **The map included with this solicitation is not very clear to read. Is there any way to obtain a better quality map of the property?**

A larger bitmap file has been uploaded to FedBizOpps (<https://www.fbo.gov>).

2. **Section 1.2, Period of Performance, states the BPA is from October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2015. Are there or will there be any option years as stated in the table under section 1.1?**

Yes, refer to NNK14523969Q mod 01, Section 1.2.1, FAR 52.217-9 Option to Extend the Term of the Contract (Mar 2000).

3. **Is the contractor responsible to make repairs to the grade crossings not in working condition?**

No, this contract is only for inspections and not repairs.

4. **Is there any training involved to obtain badges? Is there any other training (safety, etc.) needed to enter the property and perform the work?**

No training is required. Refer to PIV Card Issuance Procedures in accordance with FAR 52.204-9, uploaded to FedBizOpps (<https://www.fbo.gov>).

5. **The 2 websites listed are not valid.**

Refer to NNK14523969Q mod 01, Section 2.2, FAR 52.252-2 Clauses Incorporated by Reference (Feb 1998).

6. **Will our company need to register as a Federal Contractor? How do we go about registering?**

Yes, prospective contractors shall be registered in the SAM database prior to award of a contract. Contractors can register at the following address: <https://www.sam.gov/>

7. How does a contractor get his employees through the Identity Verification process?

Refer to Question 4.

8. Is there any kind of training involved with Safety and Health at NASA?

No.

9. Has a contractor performed similar work to this for the government in the past?

Yes, rail inspection was done as part of the Institutional Support Contract (ISC).

10. If available, please provide the incumbent contract number.

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11. Will there be any type of pre-bid meeting held ?

No.

12. What will be the required inspection frequency, both before and after resumption of train operations in 2015?

This will be an annual inspection. KSC's current schedule is such that actual train operations will occur early in the calendar years of the year where there is a planned need. If schedule slips push those operations to later in the calendar year (six months or more since the last inspection or last actual train operation) a "Special Safety Inspection" would be required to verify that the track is in usable condition.

13. Will the RR Xing signals be required to be maintained in operational condition with no trains operating for a sustained period of time?

Refer to Question 3. The contractor would be expected to verify the status (operational/non-operational) of the signals and report any items in the inspection report.

14. Can you please confirm that unionized or Davis Bacon wage scales do not apply here.

No inspections have been performed since January 2013. Unionized or Davis Bacon wage scales do not apply; however, the Service Contract Act and area wage determination does. Refer to NNK14523969Q mod 01 and the Wage Determination, uploaded to FedBizOpps (<https://www.fbo.gov>).

15. Is the project for bid as mentioned above only for Small business contractors, or can any contractor bid for this job

Refer to NNK14523969Q block 10. This is a total small business set aside.

16. What is the estimated project cost

Not available.

17. How can I get the bidding documents/plans

Refer to FedBizOpps (<https://www.fbo.gov>).